

OPTOMETRY EXAMINING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 17, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Hubbell, OD; Jeff Sarazen, OD; Heather Hinson, OD; Kerry Griebenow, OD; Leon Griffin, OD

MEMBER EXCUSED: Lynn LeCount

LEGAL COUNSEL: Ruby Jefferson-Moore

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Karen Rude-Evans

GUEST PRESENT: Peter Theo, WOA

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chris Hubbell called the meeting to order at 9:41 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Kerry Griebenow moved, seconded by Leon Griffin, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2000

MOTION: Leon Griffin moved, seconded by Jeff Sarazen, to approve the minutes of January 21, 2000 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY CUMMINGS

Secretary Cummings was not available. Kimberly Nania introduced Bill Conway, the new Deputy Secretary, to the Board. Mr. Conway said he is looking forward to working with the Board.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

There were no stipulations.

REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

These reports were informational.

ASSEMBLY BILL 725 RELATING TO STUDENT LOANS

This item was informational.

POSITION PAPER – AOA’S BOARD CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

The Board stated that this certification is independent of licensure, and for that reason the Board is neutral on this issue. Practitioners must be very clear in their advertising that certification is not in lieu of licensure and the Board expressed concern that the consumer may be misled.

CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO NATIONAL OPTOMETRIC DATA BASE 2000

The Department will continue to send information to the national databank only. If other organizations want this data they should contact the national databank.

PRACTICE QUESTION RELATING TO ORDERING CONTACT LENSES OVER THE INTERNET

The Board has no jurisdiction on this issue.

REVIEW OF WOA COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY SURVEY, CE INFORMATION AND CHAPTER 449 PRACTICE

The Board reviewed the information and felt the survey was useful in analyzing the effectiveness of education and practice.

DELEGATE TO ATTEND ARBO ANNUAL MEETING IN JUNE

Heather Hinson was previously named as delegate, but she has a conflict and may not be able to attend.

REPORT OF PRACTICE AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The Committee meeting was canceled due to the lack of a quorum.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Kerry Griebenow moved, seconded by Jeff Sarazen, to recess to closed session pursuant to Chapter 19.85(1)(a), (b), (f) and (g). Wis. Stats., for the purpose of reviewing a DPA/TPA certification application, reviewing case status report and consulting with legal counsel. Roll call vote: Chris Hubbell – yes, Jeff Sarazen – yes, Heather Hinson – yes, Kerry Griebenow – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session recessed at 10:53 a.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The meeting reconvened in open session by consensus at 11:16 a.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED/DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

APPLICATION REVIEW

IRVE DENENBERG

MOTION: Kerry Griebenow moved, seconded by Jeff Sarazen, to recommend to the Department to issue the DPA certificate to Irve Denenberg. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Kerry Griebenow moved, seconded by Jeff Sarazen, to issue the TPA certificate to Irve Denenberg. Motion carried unanimously.

CASE STATUS REVIEW

MOTION: Jeff Sarazen moved, seconded by Kerry Griebenow, to close complaint 99 OPT 001 for compliance gained. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

Correspondence from Barbara Showers was informational.

ARTICLES FOR THE REGULATORY DIGEST

Heather Hinson will provide information on the Practice and Standards Committee. Other suggestions were the Board's accomplishments over the past year, the issue of self-prescribing, the release of contact lens prescriptions and information that the Board has no jurisdiction over ABOP.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Kerry Griebenow moved, seconded by Jeff Sarazen, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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